

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention is intended to perform a mounting/dismounting or replacement of a print head
5 and ink tank mounted on the carriage without contaminating a print medium including a tray when performing an ink jet printing using the tray. For this purpose, the tray guide that supports the tray so that it can be fed is removably mounted to the
10 printing apparatus. Whether this tray guide is mounted to the printing apparatus is detected by the tray guide sensor. According to a result of detection by this tray guide sensor, the control unit for controlling the driving of the carriage controls the
15 position of the carriage in the main scan direction.